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FOUNDER'S PHILOSOPHY EXPOUNDED IN EULOGY

[EDITOR'S NOTE: This eulogy was delivered as part of the funeral services for Dr. Forline, July 11, 1935, by his son, Jack Forline. It is, we believe, an ample and eloquent expression of Dr. Forline's nature and philosophy.]

"O for a lodge in some vast wilderness,
Some boundless contiguity of shade."

Many, many times, under the stress of earthly affairs, have I heard my father repeat those significant lines, and in them find expression for a longing for relief from the strain and strife of life that some time creeps into the heart of every human being.

Today, those of us who knew and loved him best will hope beyond any selfish sense of grief that he has indeed found that lodge in the infinite wilderness of eternal things, in the soothing, peaceful shade that hides tomorrow from the eyes and understanding of us who live on today.

To find in his life substance for this last loving tribute would need take us through the whole range of human experience, for he tasted richly of each one. Endowed from the immortal fund with an intellect of exceeding brilliance, he early soared to the heights in the field of his chosen profession—medicine.

Leaving Northwestern University with every honor his school could confer, he became, in his early twenties, a leading physician of Chicago. One of the proudest memories of his school life and one he cherished with increasing pleasure throughout his life was the part he played in founding Phi Rho Sigma, now a medical fraternity of world-wide scope and influence.

But the pace of achievement he set was too fast, and, like many another before and since, he labored beyond his endurance and was struck down by an illness that forced an idleness of many years.

From then on, his life became a relentless struggle against the handicap of failing health, though by no word or act did he ever reveal the bitterness that might rightfully have been in his heart. On the contrary, the whole keynote of his life was an optimism that knew no limits. In fact, so expansive was this optimism that he often visualized the pot of gold before there was even a rainbow to indicate its whereabouts. But, regardless of its effect on him, it is certain that to us who were closest to him, his abiding

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DR. HAMILTON FORLINE
... his sun has set

LIFE OF DR. FORLINE DELINEATED BY SON

[EDITOR'S NOTE: The following brief story of Dr. Hamilton Forline's life was written by his son, Jack Forline, in response to a request by Dr. Milbank Johnson, of Los Angeles, who, with Dr. Forline, Louis E. Brown, James Alonzo Poling, Thomas Jay Robeson, and Orville O. Witherbee, brought Phi Rho Sigma Fraternity into being.]

Hamilton Forline was born in Hodgenville, Kentucky, November 17, 1869, and died in Los Angeles, California, July 6, 1935.

His early youth was spent in Kentucky and Texas. He entered Northwestern University, medical department, as a student in 1889 and graduated with highest honors and the degree of Medical Doctor in 1893. He was valedictorian of his class.

During his school years he collaborated with four fellow-students in founding Phi Rho Sigma, his contribution to the Fraternity being the original ritual. He was Chief Prosecutor at Northwestern from 1891 to 1893. After graduation, he spent a year in post-graduate work in London, Paris, and Vienna and returned in 1894 to enter private practice in Chicago where,

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CO-FOUNDER RECALLS FORLINE'S EARLY DAYS

[EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Orville O. Witherbee, of Los Angeles, one of the co-founders of Phi Rho Sigma, has put into writing, at the Editor's request, some of his reminiscences of Dr. Hamilton Forline, Alpha '93, whose death on July 6, 1935 took from the Fraternity one of those to whom it owes its existence. Dr. Witherbee's "Personal Memories" follow.]

Word of the death of Dr. Hamilton Forline came to me as a profound shock when on a trip East in July, 1935.

Our association had been very intimate and very cordial back through the years following entrance as freshmen at the old Medical College at 26th Street and Prairie Avenue in Chicago. From the first he seemed to stand out as a superior student and was regarded by the entire class as a leader, one to be patterned after.

As all young fellows, on entering school, desire in some way to bask in the limelight, it was not long before many of us were exhibiting our favorite athletic stunts. My attention was first centered on Harry the second day at school in the lower hall where he was looking for someone who could hold a hat higher than he could kick it. At length a tall fellow climbed upon a bench and held his derby beyond the reach of Harry's toe. We stood by in marked admiration of his prowess, for Harry was certainly some kicker. Presently a green-looking stripling, somewhat shorter in stature, volunteered the information that he could kick the hat at that height. This caused quite a little merriment, as Harry was somewhat above the average height and could open and shut like a jackknife. Without hesitation this stripling jumped high in the air and kicked the crown of the fellow's hat so that he had difficulty in straightening it out, whereupon Harry exclaimed "Oh! that is a 'hitch kick' and it don't go."

That served as an introduction and from then on we were fast friends.

Had "Superb Mentality"

Although I could match and even exceed Harry in most athletic stunts, I was no match for him in scholarship. In a class of over one hundred he was a bright and shining light, possessed of a superb mentality and a memory that was positively uncanny. By the end of the first year he had Gray's entire anatomy at his tongue's end and was considered virtually an authority in all branches of our work.

It was with great pride that we listened

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WENSTRAND REVIEWS EARLY BUILDER'S LIFE

[EDITOR'S NOTE: As Hamilton Forline and his five co-founders labored to establish a foundation for what is today Phi Rho Sigma Fraternity, so Charles Mills Gleason, Gamma '01, contributed what he could toward making it a "truly national fraternity." Dr. Gleason died on January 19, 1936, and we feel that it is fitting and proper to accord him a place in this number dedicated to the Founders. The author of this memorial is his close friend and onetime schoolmate, Dr. David E. W. Wenstrand, Alpha '00.]

With the passing of Charles Mills Gleason on January 19th, 1936, Phi Rho Sigma has lost another of the Old Guard who had a part in the building of the Fraternity.

He entered Rush Medical College in the fall of 1897 somewhat more mature than the average of his class, for he had been a high school teacher and principal in Wisconsin for six years. He was initiated into Gamma Chapter before the end of the year and from the beginning became an outstanding member of that two-year old chapter with a colorful personnel, which retained many of the traditions of the Ancient Order of Ananias from which it had sprung.

In the spring of 1896, the first Grand Council was formed by one representative from each of the three Chicago chapters. This body, so far as is known, functioned probably until early in 1898 when we find that it was enlarged to include three men from each chapter, and Charlie Gleason was one of these.

Helps to Write Ritual

It was along about the same time, after the establishment of the three chapters outside Chicago, that it seemed wise to prepare for a truly national fraternity and this was the task of these nine men. As has been said in the "History," Ellis Kirk Kerr was the motivating spirit in this undertaking, but I know from what Kerr said then and from my later close friendship with Gleason that he had no small part in the building of our organization, which, though changed through growth and development, still retains the original foundation. Charlie, with Frank Jay and Kerr, worked on the ritual. Jay was a word master and a poet, but Gleason also possessed real ability as a writer and a speaker.

After this intensive work during the school year 1898-1899, Gleason did not take further active part in the development of the national organization, but in the fall of 1901 he was a member of the committee which brought into existence the Chicago Alumni Chapter and he always retained a lively and earnest interest in Phi Rho Sigma.

As for the man himself, let me repeat what I wrote on January 25th for the February number of the Wisconsin Medical Journal.

"Simplicity and humanness are the basic attributes of greatness. From Homer to Mark Twain, the men who have profoundly affected their fellowmen have been unassuming, unconscious of self, simple, straightforward and direct."

CONVENTION AT MACKINAC

It will be of interest to the members of the Fraternity and, particularly, to the undergraduate chapters, to learn that the Executive Council has selected the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan, for the next meeting of the Grand Chapter. Further details will be published in a forthcoming issue of the JOURNAL and will also be sent to the individual chapters. This preliminary notice is published at this time in order that the alumni may plan to include the Convention in their summer vacations.

For the first time in the history of the fraternity, the Convention will not be held in a city in which a chapter is located. Special rates, both by rail and water, will be published in the JOURNAL. It is sufficient to say now that the tentative time for the Convention is the last week in July. Mackinac Island is one of the beauty spots of the country.

Self-Forgetful in Serving Others

"Last Wednesday, as I was on my way to Manitowoc to attend Dr. Gleason's funeral, I read these lines by Channing Pollock in the current *Readers' Digest* and was stirred by the thought that this statement so well described my dear friend Charlie's outstanding traits. He showed greatness in his chosen profession because he forgot self in service for those who needed him. He was generous to a fault and ready to meet cheerfully all demands upon his time and energy even to the very end. What Robert Louis Stevenson said in his tribute to the faithful physician applies here: 'Generosity he has such as one who practices an art; never as one who practices a trade.' He was an ideal family doctor. He loved his fellowmen and they loved him."

'Thoughtful in youth, but not austere in age;
Calm, but not cold, and cheerful though a sage;
Too true to flatter and too kind to sneer,
And only just when seemingly severe;
So gently blending courtesy and art
That wisdom's lips seemed borrowing
friendship's heart.'

(Oliver Wendell Holmes)

Forced to Postpone Medical Studies

"Charles Mills Gleason was born near Whitewater, Wisconsin, March 11, 1869. He came from sturdy, Christian, pioneer stock. His father was a native of Wisconsin, but his mother was born in England. From early youth his desire was to study medicine, but as he had to depend to a great extent upon himself and as the Whitewater Normal School was near at hand, he prepared to teach for a while, and was graduated in 1891. After holding positions in at least two high schools, Ashland and Rhinelander, where he was principal, he entered Rush Medical College in 1897. For a period he was Dr. Haines' assistant in chemistry and always ranked high in his classes. He received his degree in 1901. I knew Charlie well in those days,

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to him deliver the valedictory address in Central Music Hall. His enunciation was clear and distinct and his eloquence superb, while his logic fairly threw a spell over the faculty as they sat in silent splendor, arrayed in betasseled caps and flowing robes. As soon as he began talking a hush fell over the entire assemblage, every seat being taken, with standing room at a premium.

Naturally, I thought he would become a great surgeon and was never more surprised than when he told me confidentially that he hoped to make medicine his supreme object. He was not content to practice alone from textbooks, but chose to follow the work scientifically and keep abreast of the times. With this in view, he gave much attention to laboratory work, which he continued after graduation and employed without stint until the break in his health. It was often confusing when studying our hospital cases to be asked by Harry for very definite clinical and laboratory findings. (It must be remembered that 45 years ago scientific medicine was just coming into its own and that facilities for complete and comprehensive work were meager in the extreme.)

Attends Witherbee in Illness

Later on when I was stricken by a severe attack of diphtheria, Harry and a number of fellow (Alpha) fraters spent long hours alternating at my bedside to see that all orders given by Dr. Frank Billings, who was in attendance, were faithfully carried out. Being in a semi-delirious condition at the time, I have only a faint memory of specimens having been taken from my throat, at the insistence of Harry, to verify the diagnosis. (This was just prior to the introduction of serum for the treatment of diphtheria.)

In December, 1925, Dr. Forline, Dr. Milbank Johnson, and I made a trip to New Orleans to attend the meeting of the Grand Chapter of Phi Rho Sigma. Harry and I shared the same stateroom and I had the privilege of administering to him during a heart attack on the way, and again in the Roosevelt Hotel, during the meeting, when the best heart specialists in that city were called to advise treatment. He stood the return trip home very well, which was uneventful except for the fact that at Houston we learned that the University of Washington football team had been pretty thoroughly whipped that day, January 1, 1926, by the boys from Alabama in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena. This proved doubly disconcerting to us Westerners as our boys have usually carried off the honors on this occasion.

Forced to Restrict Practice

During the succeeding years Harry was never quite sure of himself and often regretted his inability to attend meetings of the local chapter (Delta).

I last saw Dr. Forline alive shortly before my departure for Chicago in June, 1935. He was then getting out but little and was able to see but a limited number of private patients in his home. He had

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CHAPTER NEWS

ALPHA ETA CHAPTER Dalhousie University

The chapter's initiation ceremonies were held in the ballroom of the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, on Monday evening, February 10, 1936. Ten new men were taken into the Fraternity—Cameron Annear, Hugh Christie, Basil Coady, Kent Irwin, Bliss Murphy, Gordon MacKenzie, Hazen Mitchell, Don Ramsay, Roy Stevenson, and Jack Warrell. These men, the chapter president writes, "comprise what promises to be one of the finest groups of members Alpha Eta Chapter has ever taken in."

Immediately following the ceremonies, the initiates and active members were honored at a banquet given by the honorary members and the alumni. Thirty actives, nine honorary members, and nine alumni were present at what was one of the most enjoyable banquets in the chapter's history. The toast to the King was proposed by Dr. W. A. Curry, and that to the active members—initiates and graduating class—was proposed by Dr. H. K. MacDonald, senior honorary member, and responded to by Harold Taylor. A new feature, which added much to the enjoyment of the occasion, was a musical entertainment put on after the toasts by the active members and alumni. The arrangements for the banquet were made by Dr. Curry, who is an honorary member, and Dr. "Eddie" Ross, an alumnus.

On February 13, the initiates were honored by the chapter at the Annual At-Home, also held in the ballroom of the Lord Nelson. Dr. and Mrs. H. K. MacDonald and Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Colwell chaperoned the party.

Several informal parties have been held at the chapter house—the last on January 31, when Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Reid were chaperons.

On November 20, 1935, a smoker was held in the chapter house in honor of the honorary members and alumni. Short talks were given by Dr. G. R. Burns, Dr. C. E. Kinley, and Dr. K. M. Grant. This smoker has come to be an annual affair and is one of the chapter's most enjoyable social functions.

Alpha Eta enjoyed a very successful rushing season, pledging 16 men. The chapter house at 348 Robie Street is filled to capacity, with 15 men "living in." "Phi Rho at Dalhousie has always been looked upon as a most active fraternity," President Lea writes, "and this year has made an enviable position for itself among student activities, members of the fraternity being active in every branch of undergraduate activity." Phi Rho Sigma has also made its presence felt in the academic field, he continues, every member having come through the examinations of last spring with "a clean sheet," and some being among the leaders of their classes.

"With a full house, a large list of active members, and a large list of very interested pledges," Mr. Lea says, "the future

of Phi Rho Sigma at Dalhousie looks very bright."

Two of the chapter's active members who are now interning have recently announced their marriages—Harry Wilson to Miss Greta Brunt and Eldon Eagles to Miss Marguerite Redden.

Dr. K. M. Grant, '29, has recently returned from the Chicago Lying-In Hospital, where he took a three-year post-graduate course, and is now practicing at 9 Spring Garden Road, Halifax.

Dr. G. P. Tantar, '34, has located in Mosher River, Nova Scotia. He was married last November to Miss Helen Scott.

Dr. Don MacRae, '34, now interning at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, was married in September, 1935, to Miss Gladys Wade, of Kentville, N. S.

ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER University of Manitoba

On Saturday, February 1, Alpha Iota held its seventh annual initiation, banquet, and dance. A particular auspiciousness was lent to this occasion by the presence of Dean Lyon, president of the Fraternity, and Dr. Weber of Rochester, district counselor, both having traveled a good five hundred miles to do the chapter the honor of being present at the initiation. They arrived by the morning train and filled the first part of the day in making and renewing acquaintances with the members of the faculty. They were later entertained at luncheon at the Manitoba Club by the honorary members.

The initiation ceremony took place at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon in the Windsor Room of the Royal Alexandria Hotel. Here Alpha Iota received into the Fraternity eight "good men and true"—one an honorary member, Professor R. G. Inkster, M.B., Ch.B. (Edin.), M.D. (Edin.), professor of anatomy, University of Manitoba, and for a long time an interested and sympathetic friend of the chapter; and as actives—Matt Kiernan, Edwin Johnson, Mathew Moore, Don McNeill, Jack Silversides, and Jack Gordon, whose congeniality and qualities as men and coming doctors makes Alpha Iota's choice a source of pride to its members.

Following the ceremony, a group photograph including the visitors and new men was taken and the banquet followed. Bob Swan, president of the chapter, was the able chairman. The dinner speeches were brief, extemporaneous, and good. Bill O'Neill proposed the toast to the initiates, and Dr. Inkster responded. Dr. Weber spoke about the greater relative importance the local chapter should have in the view of its members in respect to the Fraternity as a whole. He remarked also on the alumni problem, pointing out that active members are alumni in the making. He concluded by urging the chapter to use his knowledge and experience to the fullest and to make their demands for his aid insistent until satisfied. Dr. Lyon

talked informally, warning against the ever-present danger of a chapter's erring in its choice of judgment of new men and of the necessity of constant vigilance against it. He spoke, too, of the progress made in the endeavor to judge fraternity chapters objectively by comparing the scholastic records of the members before and after joining, and advised the men to apply this test to themselves.

The dance which followed was held in the Tea Lounge of the Hotel. With music by Buster Brown's orchestra and favors distributed in the form of silver bracelets, it proved to be an entire success. Following the dance, practically the whole party drove out to the Log Cabin, where, idling before the open fire or indulging in more dancing and refreshments, time was whiled away well into the small hours. Dr. Lyon spent the evening in the capable hands of the chapter's honorary members.

The Sunday following was not a "day of rest" for the chapter. The hockey team, in spite of the strenuous evening before, came through with a 5-2 win in an interfraternity league game with Phi Delta Theta. Later in the afternoon tea was served at the chapter house and Dr. Wm. Boyd, Dr. J. D. Adamson, Dr. V. H. K. Moorhouse, and other members of the faculty, as well as the members of the chapter dropped in to pay their respects to Dr. Lyon and Dr. Weber, who soon said farewell and took their departure on the six o'clock train.

"The visit of our officials, together with its attendant functions," writes the chapter correspondent, "instilled into Alpha Iota a new and gratifying enthusiasm for Phi Rho Sigma, the spark of which should burn for a long time to come."

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lost his very sweet and charming wife many years before and this break in his own health seemed the last crushing blow.

As stated above the news of his death came to me as a profound shock and affected me very greatly; also very strangely, in that, a few evenings before, I had attended a trumpet meeting when on a lark with some old-time friends. Much to my surprise, the medium, a man whom I had never seen before, announced that a doctor who had just passed out was making a feeble effort to "come through" to Orville Witherbee. I gave the matter little thought at the time, but learned later that the date corresponded exactly with the time of Harry's death. Apology should be offered for this reference, but the memory of it remains with me so keenly that I could not resist.

Dr. Forline left three daughters and two sons, all of whom possess exceptionally bright minds, to which we may consider them justly entitled in view of the brilliancy of their parents.

I have felt that the most worth while compliment ever extended to me came from Dr. Forline when he requested me to perform an operation on his favorite daughter—a beautiful girl who had the good fortune to survive the ordeal and who was just coming into the bloom of young womanhood at the time of her father's death.

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HONOR LIST MOUNTS TO 13

The roll of honor of the chapters which have paid Grand Chapter dues for the entire year in full, and have thus taken advantage of the discount allowed by the Laws, is: Alpha, Delta, Theta Tau, Iota, Lambda Phi, Mu, Pi, Rho, Omega, Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Eta, and Chi Epsilon.

These chapters show a net saving in dues of \$414.50 for the current year.

More chapters each year are taking advantage of the provisions in the Laws for prompt payment of dues, and it is felt that as this matter becomes better known among the undergraduate chapters, the practice will become universal.

Several chapters have anticipated this obligation by making a fixed charge for Grand Chapter dues for the year in which the pledge is initiated. In this way, Grand Chapter dues are, to all intents and purposes, paid in advance, so that the student, as he enters his senior year, finds that ALL his national obligations have been paid in full. Needless to say, under the modern medical-school curriculum this plan is a great boon to the treasurers of the undergraduate chapters as they find it increasingly difficult to collect from members of the senior class who are scattered far and wide in the various hospitals.

BEHIND THE SCENES

Unless one has visited the central office of our Fraternity, one can have but little conception of the immense amount of work that goes on there. It is, for instance, a matter of great pride that the small list of "lost" names recently published in this JOURNAL represents all the errors in the mailing list at the present time. This requires a great deal of time to check with biographical services and to send follow-up letters under first-class postage as well as letters to chapters and hospitals in an effort to locate the lost brother.

Then there is the routine correspondence with each of the chapters, and every day brings in several inquiries about locations, assistantships, residencies, and internships.

These things all go to make Phi Rho Sigma different from other medical fraternities and to make membership of greater value. "Once a Phi Rho, always a Phi Rho" is exemplified in them.

Once in a generation a fraternity is fortunate if it finds someone who will carry on such a job as this. No fraternity has ever been more fortunate than ours when Ralph Elliott took over this job and at great personal sacrifice has done it day in and day out for the past 12 years until we are a subject of envy of every other medical fraternity.—Jonathan Forman, Ω.

MEDICAL FRATERNITIES MEET

The regular biennial meeting of the Medical Inter-Fraternity Conference was held in Chicago, February 16, 1936.

Dean Armstrong of Northwestern University gave a very comprehensive talk full of suggestions on "Inter-relations between Fraternities and Colleges." He stressed the procedure that he has instituted at Northwestern, correlating the efforts of the fraternity chapters with the University. He expressed the hope that some day similar relations between the fraternities and the medical and law schools might be perfected which have been so successful in the undergraduate department of Northwestern. So far practically nothing has been attempted by the medical schools and the University although, because of the unfortunate locations in the cities of many medical schools, it is vitally important that housing conditions of medical students be improved.

A permanent committee of the Conference was appointed to confer with the authorities of the American Medical Association in an effort to secure designation of fraternity membership in forthcoming issues of the directory of the Association. It was pointed out that such information would be extremely valuable, not only to the members of medical fraternities, but also to alumni secretaries of undergraduate fraternities, in their efforts to keep track of their graduates in medicine. Not only would such a move increase the sale of the directory, but, it was believed, the interested medical fraternities might be expected to share some of the expense of securing this information.

An interesting round table was given over to the discussion of fraternities in two-year schools. Undoubtedly the problem is a mutual one and is inseparable from the many problems that now beset

such schools. Medical fraternities having chapters in two-year schools have frequently experienced considerable difficulty in transferring members to chapters in four-year schools. Some two-year chapters are strong but it was brought out that such chapters are invariably located in first-rate, two-year medical schools.

For the first time since the organization of the Medical Interfraternity Conference, "Dave" Wenstrand, Alpha, was not able to be present because of ill health. He was one of the founders of the Conference and his absence was regretted by all present. Because of the presence in Chicago of several officers of Phi Rho Sigma at an Executive Council meeting, our fraternity was well represented at the Medical Interfraternity Conference. Calhoun McDougall, vice-president, was made a member of the executive committee of the Conference. Other Phi Rhos present were E. P. Lyon, S. W. Donaldson, Ralph Elliott, and Jonathan Forman. Stuart Graves, secretary of Nu Sigma Nu, was re-elected chairman of the Conference and Albert Landrum, secretary of Alpha Kappa Kappa, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

FORMAN AGAIN AN EDITOR

Jonathan Forman, Omega, past vice-president and editor of the JOURNAL, and at present historian of the Fraternity, is now editor of the *Ohio State Medical Journal*. The two numbers of the *Journal* that have appeared under his direction have amply justified his appointment and congratulations are duly extended to him in behalf of the Fraternity.

WE SUBSCRIBE

Editorial comment from the May, 1915, twenty-fifth anniversary number to which we add a hearty "Amen!"

"... Names (of new officers) should be submitted immediately to the Secretary of the Grand Chapter and to the Editor of the JOURNAL. The Editor desires to solicit cooperation of the new officers and trusts that he will have as prompt and as good responses to his requests for material as he has had from the officers in the past. In this connection he desires to emphasize the necessity for each individual officer to consider himself as a reporter for the JOURNAL. Any facts bearing on the JOURNAL or articles directed to the JOURNAL or its members are acceptable at any time. The work of correspondence should not be left entirely to the Secretary. Never mind if he does send in the same item of news to the Editors. Someone else will use different words and create a different point of view.

"There will be, undoubtedly, many opportunities for criticism of the spelling of proper names, but this fault should not all be laid at the Editor's door, for it is necessary to remember that very often illegibility of handwriting, particularly of medical students, depends very largely on the care or haste with which it is written. The Editor will be glad to receive corrections in regard to the spelling of proper names and will try to have the names as nearly correct as possible. Please write all names legibly."

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faith in the eternal goodness of things was always a source of unlimited cheerfulness and encouragement.

Always an iconoclast, he took great delight in striking at the established order of things, especially in his own profession, when dogma occasionally secured too firm a hold. He loathed hypocrisy in any form and adhered to a rigid honesty in the practice of medicine that cost him much of that lucrative clientele who love to be sick and love even more to have a doctor tell them so. Truth he considered the greatest diplomacy—so few people believe it.

Above all else, he was a real human being, good to know and understand and love.

Minister of Life and Death in his own right, Death had no sting for him. Rather was it a challenge to the purest flights of fancy—a glamorous adventure beckoning to the human soul with far more intriguing gesture than any experience in life.

And let us all be glad today that the veil has at last been lifted for him from the enchanting mystery of the stars. Let us be glad, too, that life for him has been abundant—not in material things, but in that richer substance that leads us all to hope so fondly for the immortality of the human soul.

For him, the sun has blazed with all its fiery brilliance; there have been clouds and tempests, too, and that satisfying calm that follows storm.

And now, the sun has set, and the rich, warm glow of the western sky has deepened into the lengthening shadows of evening;—and then comes twilight,—and darkness;—and then the stars—let us hope, for him, a myriad stars—and sleep—and peace.

"O for a lodge in some vast wilderness,
Some boundless contiguity of shade."
Fare-thee-well, our father and our friend; fare thee, O, so well.

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through our fraternity affiliation, and without a doubt he would have passed the Cook County Hospital examinations, had he not unfortunately taken sick at the very time the tests were being written. It was a keen disappointment to him, even though he spent a valuable year with Drs. Bouffleur and Tice in the old Monroe Street Hospital.

"Soon after locating in Manitowoc in 1902, Dr. Gleason learned to know Dr. A. C. Fraser and some time later bought his office and home when Dr. Fraser retired. For many years the sign in front of 811 York Street read: 'Drs. Fraser and Gleason.'

Marries Schoolday Sweetheart

"In 1904, Charlie married Miss Grace Barber, whom he first met and loved while both were students in the Normal School. It has been a beautiful and happy marriage; always sweethearts from schooldays on down through the years. They have had congenial tastes and interests; literature, music, travel, and even baseball. Dr. Gleason has taken a prominent part in

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COUNCILOR NAMED

The Executive Council has appointed Dr. Douglas Gordon Chapman, Upsilon, 1615 Wilmington Ave., Richmond, Councilor for Virginia.

Dr. Thomas Murrell, Upsilon, also of Richmond, is Councilor-At-Large.

SIX SHARE IN MEDICAL EDUCATION CONVENTION

The Fraternity had six representatives, among them Dean Elias P. Lyon, president of the Grand Chapter, on the program of the 32nd annual congress on Medical Education, Medical Licensure, and Hospitals, which met at the Palmer House in Chicago on February 17 and 18, 1936.

Dr. Charles B. Reed, Alpha, associate professor of obstetrics in the Northwestern University medical school, was the first Phi Rho to appear, being one of three speakers who discussed the "Scope and Objectives of The Undergraduate Teaching of Obstetrics" during the afternoon session on the first day.

On Tuesday morning, Dr. Roscoe L. Sensenich, Gamma, of South Bend, Indiana, led the discussion which followed an address on "What Is the Social Objective of the Young Physician?" During the session of the Federation of State Medical Boards, which also met Tuesday morning, Dr. William D. Cutter, Chi Alpha, who is secretary of the American Medical Association's Council on Medical Education and Hospitals, spoke on "The Federation and the Survey of Medical Schools."

Dean Lyon addressed the Tuesday afternoon session on the topic, "Swans Sing Before They Die." The contemporaneous session of the State Medical Boards federation heard Dr. Herbert M. Platter, Omega, secretary of the Ohio State Medical Board, take part in a two-man discussion of "Enforcement Procedure," which was followed by a talk on "Aggressive Versus Passive Attitudes of State Board Members" by Dr. Arthur C. Morgan, Lambda Phi, who is a member of the Pennsylvania State Board of Medical Education and Licensure.

CONNOR IS NO SOUTHERNER

Dr. Shelton Connor, AE, writes an interesting paragraph in a mid-winter letter to the Central Office: "I noted with interest your items in the JOURNAL concerning Tom Byrnes and myself, but I see you still do not appreciate our position. I am 150 miles north of Sioux Lookout and the C.N.R. Everything and everyone travels by plane. There being of course no landing fields, the planes are equipped with skis, and utilize the numerous frozen lakes—in the summer (three months) it's potholes. More than two-thirds of the country is water—the remainder is breeding ground for black-flies."

ADDITIONAL LOST MEMBERS

Harry L. Dale, Gamma, Tripler General Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaii; Theo. F. Butzon, Gamma, Cananea, Sonora, Mexico; R. Alfredo Ananos, Chi Zeta, Ayacucho, Peru, S. A.; and John E. Dalton, Pi, Breslau, Germany.

TIME MARCHES PAST PHI RHO BIRTHPLACE

[EDITOR'S NOTE: An appropriate addition to this Founders' Number, we believe, is the following intimate glimpse of the "Birthplace of Phi Rho Sigma"—an unsigned article which we reprint from the twenty-fifth anniversary number of the JOURNAL, published in May, 1915.]

We are in Chicago and board a Cottage Grove Avenue car for Twenty-fourth Street. We enjoy a brief ride along the busy streets of Chicago. We pass through a district showing many apartment houses with brick fronts and numerous evidences pointing to a residential district in former times. The appearance now suggests a tenement house atmosphere. Numerous corners contain the familiar grocery and fruit stores and saloons belonging to such districts, and scattered here and there we see various other stores incident to a district of this kind. There is an occasional tree, a few houses exhibit a 5 x 8 patch of grass, or the place where grass once grew. The pavements are cracked and show signs of neglect. In fact, the whole district is very untidy. There are numerous rows of houses, all alike, with flights of wood or stone steps, with railings of iron pipe, with bay windows, and with occasional iron fences enclosing a bit of green grass or a so-called flower bed. We learn that this was a fine residential section twenty-five years ago, and a few blocks above stood the finest residences in the city at that time, the Pullman, Kimball, Marshall Field, etc., being farther up town near Eighteenth Street. Many of these buildings are still standing, apparently just as they were in 1890. We also learn that the old medical school building of Northwestern was a block and a half south and that the location is now occupied by the new building of the Mercy Hospital.

Reach "No. 2431"

At Twenty-fourth Street we alight, walk one-half block west, and then south until No. 2431 is found. We find here a block of brick apartments, painted red and gray—six apartments in all, with three of each color, and with No. 2431 in the center, of red brick the nearest to the gray block. The neighborhood is similar to the district just traversed. We find the apartment, a brick building of two stories with a basement almost high enough to call a separate story. There is a gently rounded bay window with its lace curtains and green shades, and entrance is obtained by a flight of twelve or fourteen wooden steps guarded by an iron railing on either side.

We climb the steps, knock at the door, and await an answer. The door is a heavy paneled door with paint that was once black, now so badly cracked that it is hard to tell the original color. As we stand there waiting we glance over a neighborhood similar to the district already described. Across the street is a lodging house for women with a sign on the wall advertising that beds may be obtained for fifteen cents a night. We notice a little girl with a shawl who is carrying a can of "something" into the next house. We notice the sign "Rooms for Rent" in

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WITH THE ALUMNI HERE . . THERE and EVERYWHERE

[EDITOR'S NOTE: Alumni news contributors this month include: Dr. Jonathan Forman, Ω; Dr. LeRoy F. Heimburger; Dr. A. C. Morgan, associate editor; and the Central Office.]

Dr. LeRoy F. Heimburger has located permanently at 600 Medical Arts Building, Springfield, Missouri, where he will practice dermatology. Dr. Heimburger returned to the United States from China two years ago, and for the past six months has been acting as "locum tenens" for Dr. Erich Brockelmann, St. Louis dermatologist who is abroad, and has also done research work in dermatology.

Dr. Albert Soiland, Δ, and Dr. William E. Costolow, ΔΦ, together with Drs. Orville N. Meland, Ludwig Lindberg, and A. H. Warner, are members of the staff of a Los Angeles institution "devoted to the study and treatment of malignant or benign tumors and allied disease by radiological and electro-surgical methods." It is located at 1407 South Hope Street.

Dr. Harry H. Lamberson, Ψ, has announced his association in the practice of medicine and surgery with Dr. J. R. Haney, Suite 344, First National Bank Building, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dr. James S. Hammers, ΔΦ '04, is located in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Warren S. Riley, XZ '30, has announced the opening of offices at Suite 311, Armstrong Building, El Dorado, Arkansas, where he will be in general practice, giving special attention to children's diseases.

Dr. Frederick A. Rhodes, X, has been unable to work since he suffered a cerebral hemorrhage in May, 1932.

Bourne Jerome, ΘT, is located in the First National Bank Building, Emmons, Minn.

Wayne Slaughter, I, is attending the University of Pennsylvania Dental College. He is also an instructor in the anatomy department of the Medical College of the University of Pennsylvania.

John C. Holman, ΔOA, has completed his internship in the General Hospital, San Diego, and a residency in the University of Minnesota Hospital, Minneapolis, Minn.

Stephen T. Barnett, Jr., XB, has completed his internship in the New York Hospital, and is practicing at 26 Linden St., N.E., Atlanta, Ga.

Arden Kimmel, ΔΦ, is located at 27 North Brown Street, Lewistown, Pa.

Andrew B. Wessels, A, has moved from

San Diego, California, to 414 Navarro St., San Antonio, Texas.

Wirt A. Warren, ΔΔ, a Fellow at the Cleveland Clinic, has been forced to resign his appointment because of the serious illness of his father. He has returned to his home in Wichita, Kansas, to take over his father's practice.

Howard L. Puckett, Z, is located at 372 Broadway Street, Newport, R.I.

Newton Mead, A, is specializing in orthopedic surgery at Shriner's Hospital, Chicago. He will be located at the Carrell-Driver-Girard Clinic, Dallas, Texas, after July 1, 1936.

Harvey S. Allen, A, is located at the Lahey Clinic, Boston, Mass.

Lynn B. Windham, XE, has moved from Okmulgee, Okla., to 702 Citizens Bank Building, Tyler, Texas.

Francis W. Holman, XΔ, after completing his internship at Roper Hospital, Charleston, S.C., has located at 123 Broad Street, Keyport, N.J.

Stanley W. Matthews, XI, Captain, Medical Corps, U. S. Army, is now stationed at Fort Snelling, Minn.

Edwin H. Hall, Δ, is located at 5592 Santa Fe Ave., Los Angeles, California.

James H. Davis, A, formerly with the American National Life Insurance Company of Galveston, Texas, has resumed private practice at 128 S. Broad St., Carlinville, Ill.

Vernon B. Harrison, ΔOA, has moved from Clarksdale, Miss., to Holly Springs, Miss.

Randall G. Sprague, A, is a Fellow in medicine at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

Raymond A. Berger, M, is located at 1000 W. Franklin St., Richmond, Va.

Vernon McGrath, E, has located at Reed City, Mich.

Van R. Hamilton, Δ, is practicing at 14410 Valerio St., Van Nuys, Calif.

Harry H. Lamberson, Ψ, has completed his internship at the Seaview Hospital, Staten Island, N.Y., and is practicing at Suite 344, First National Bank Building, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Paul H. Holinger, A, is located at 55 East Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

Robert W. Gordon, Ψ, has recently

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the window. We notice the general uncleanliness of the neighborhood and of the building which our records tell us held the first meeting of our fraternity. One cannot help but feel a thrill of emotion at the thought of the fact that one is about to enter the building which is the birthplace of our fraternity. These steps and the badly-worn door sill have been trod, without doubt, by our founders many times in their medical school days and could bear witness, if able to speak, to much inside history of the beginnings of the fraternity. It is here that Johnson, Robeson, Forline, and Poling started the meetings which have resulted in the fraternity as it is today. The room had been the scene of many meetings of these four, and Bonn and others who were initiated later on. Early records have been lost but it has come down to us that here was probably written our first ritual and first constitution, and here it was that we had our first initiation and our first election of officers in Johnson's room where there had been a raised platform constructed at one end for the President.

Son of Erin Shatters Dreams

Our dreams are rudely shattered. The door opens and a slovenly-dressed Irishman appears in the doorway. His blue work-shirt is very dirty and his red face is covered with an acneiform eruption. He is decidedly antagonistic and, in a surly manner, asks what we want. Upon being informed of our errand he asks our authority and then slams the door in our face. Another attempt reveals the fact that "There was nothin' ever organized here" and that the room is now occupied by a chauffeur who sleeps in the daytime.

From our position without the door we note that the lower hall is very dark and dirty. There are newspapers and rubbish at the end of the hall and there is a dirty frazzled carpet on the floor. The ceiling is high and is decorated with a large but rather dilapidated chandelier. The steps lead straight up and turn at the top to the right. The carpet is worn off at the edges of the steps. The banister is of beautiful turned black walnut and must have been a beautiful rail in its time. In the upper hall it is almost too dark to see a great deal except torn wall paper and a patch of broken plaster. There are some torn lace curtains also and a vividly colored calendar on the wall.

Early Meetings Unchronicled

We take our leave and return to the hotel somewhat disappointed at the fact that we have been unable to gain entrance to the room but, at the same time, there is a feeling of relief because, from what we had seen, our dreams might have been still more rudely shattered. The plan of the house has probably not been changed since the time twenty-five years ago when the above four men held their first meetings. These meetings, as we know from the history, were secret meetings and, as I have said, no records have been preserved. Many were the social times which were, undoubtedly, held here in addition to the regular fraternity work, but the

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foundations were laid for a strong organization based on "Friendship, good Fellowship, and Ability" and time has proved the wisdom of this foundation. The results of that first year's work were that fifteen men had been initiated before the college closed in May. This was the last year in which the room was used for meetings as Dr. Johnson moved at the beginning of the second year.

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been appointed manager of health of the city and county of Denver, Colorado. He has an office at the Denver General Hospital.

Robert H. Bryant, ΔOA, is a member of the staff of the U. S. Veteran's Facility, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Abraham Allen, ΔΦ, Captain M. C., U. S. Navy, is located at the Navy Yard Dispensary, Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

John B. Denman, E and Δ, is district surgeon for the Union Pacific Railway Company, at Caliente, Nevada.

Frank P. McNalley, ΔΔ, announces the removal of his office to Suite 315, Chase Building, 4932 Maryland Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

G. Howard Wood, AΘ, is in the Psychiatry Department of the Cincinnati General Hospital. After July 1, 1936, he will be a Fellow at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester.

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Kiwanis, civic, hospital, and school activities. His thinking was clear and logical; he spoke with force and fluency, so that his presence in any deliberative body was exceptionally valuable.

"Space does not allow to refer to the many evidences of devotion which came from a host of loyal, loving friends and patients, both near and far, during the days immediately following our beloved friend's untimely passing, but those near to him will long remember, and never forget him, while life lasts.

"Dr. Gleason, during many years, took an active part in County and State Medical Society affairs. He seldom missed the State annual meetings. In September, 1934, he was elected Councilor of the Fifth District and his death occurred shortly after the January meeting of the Council, which he had attended."

ANNUAL LUNCHEON PLANNED

Arrangements are being made to hold the usual Phi Rho Sigma luncheon at the annual A.M.A. Convention scheduled for Kansas City, Missouri, May 11-15, 1936. Every Phi Rho in attendance is urged to register at the Fraternity's booth and to secure a ticket for the luncheon.

VOTE OF THANKS

The thanks of the Editor of the JOURNAL and the staff of the Central Office is hereby formally extended to the many alumni who have sent in the correct addresses of "lost" members.

GLOBE-CIRCLING ZETA

FLIER ESCHEWS FAME

Several thousand members of Phi Rho Sigma Fraternity are very probably totally ignorant of the fact that there is in their midst one who is Lindbergh, Post, and Gatty all rolled into one, and whose exploits, if generally known, would cause the fabulous sojourns of Marco Polo to pale into perpetual insignificance.

The name of this publicity-shunning young adventurer from whom we are about to lift the veil of obscurity is Richard Upjohn Light, Zeta, graduate of the University of Michigan medical school in the class of 1928 and of the Army Air Corps Training School at Kelly Field, Texas, in 1929, and now instructor in surgery in the Yale Medical School.

In the company of a Yale graduate and radio engineer named Robert French Wilson, Dr. Light, in August, 1934, headed a Wasp-motored, Bellanca skyrocket monoplane toward Labrador, without public announcement or newspaper fanfare, and proceeded to cross the North Atlantic to the mainland of Europe via Greenland, Iceland, the Faroe and Orkney Islands, and Scotland. Thereafter, his itinerary reads like a college course in geography:

Across the Alps and along the shores of the Mediterranean to Athens, Mesopotamia, and Bagdad; over the Persian Gulf to Bombay; back to the Bay of Bengal and along the coast line to strategic Singapore and Java; across the Equator to the Dutch East Indies; up the coast to Borneo; and over the waters of the Pacific to the Philippines.

Dismantling and crating their swift bird of passage at Manila, Dr. Light and Mr. Wilson adopted the praiseworthy policy that "two men in a boat are worth a regiment in Davy Jones' locker," and sailed by steamship to Vancouver. There they took flight again, tracing the California coastline to Mexico, and then headed east to the Gulf and the Pearl of the Antilles. From there it was "Homeward bound!"—up the Atlantic coast to bring the Bellanca down at College Point, Queens, New York, thus concluding a 29,000-mile flight covered without as much as one forced landing.

At all times during the trip, radio contact was maintained with stations on land and on ships at sea, some of them at distances up to 2,000 miles. The longest sustained flight, from Iceland to the Faroe Islands, consumed nine hours of flying time. Six hundred aerial and other photographs taken during the expedition and Dr. Light's notes—in which are included data on a tribe of little-known people who inhabit the Mergui Archipelago, off the Malay peninsula—have been given to the American Geographical Society, the flight having been undertaken for educational purposes.

The trip, Dr. Light is reported to have remarked, was "entirely uneventful."

PAPERS

Dr. Walter Simpson, Z, is the author of an article entitled "Artificial Fever Therapy of Gonorrheal Arthritis," published in the *American Journal of Surgery*, volume 29, page 428, for 1935.

Dr. Thomas W. Murrell, T, of Richmond, Virginia, has written a paper on "Prognosis of Syphilitic Invasion of the Central Nervous System," *Southern Medicine and Surgery*, 1935:37.

Dr. Jerome D. Niles, A, is the author of "Medical Ethics: Then and Now," an article printed in the *Delaware State Medical Journal* for October, 1935.

Dr. C. I. Reed, Ω, is joint author with Dr. Irving Dreyer of "The Treatment of Arthritis with Massive Doses of Vitamin D," in the *Archives of Physical Therapy, X-Ray, Radium*, September, 1935, Vol. XVI, pp. 537-540; with Dr. Albert Bachem of "Antirachitic Effects of Radiation from Different Sources," in the *American Journal of Diseases of Children*, July, 1935, Vol. 50, pp. 11-27; and with E. A. Thacker, L. M. Dillman, and J. W. Welch of a paper in the *Journal of Nutrition*, 6:355, 1933. He also has a paper in the *Proceedings of the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine*, 32:274, 1934.

Dr. Bryant R. Selden, of Sterling, Illinois, discusses "Congenital Absence of Trapezius and Rhomboideus Major Muscles" in a paper published in the *Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery*, Vol. XVII, No. 4, pp. 1058-1059, October, 1935.

Dr. Edward Nicholas DeWitt, ΔΦ '17, of Bridgeport, Connecticut, presents "Some Observations on Retinal Detachments" in a paper printed in the *Journal of the Medical Association of the State of Alabama* for November, 1935.

Dr. Wesley Bourne, ΔΓ '11, of Montreal, has written a paper on "Vinyl Ether Obstetric Anesthesia for General Practice" which was published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* for December 21, 1935, Vol. 105, pp. 2047-2050. Dr. Bourne is the author or co-author of 51 publications on the subject of anesthesia written between 1921 and 1935.

A paper on "Thyroidism," presented by Dr. John W. Shuman, X '10, of Los Angeles, at a meeting of the University Medical Society in Madison, Wisconsin, on April 13, 1934, was published in the *Journal-Lancet* for September 1, 1935, Vol. 60, No. 17, p. 582.

Dr. Rexwald Brown, A '03, is the author of a paper entitled "Impressions from Currents of Thought at the Annual Session of the American College of Surgeons," which was printed in the *Bulletin* of the College for December, 1935, after having been read before the Santa Barbara Clinic on November 18, 1935. (The conference took place in October.)

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Dr. Stanley J. Tilghman, XI', died on January 14, 1935.

Dr. Charles M. Gleason, I '01, of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, died of coronary thrombosis on January 19, 1936. While not one of the original founders of Phi Rho Sigma, Dr. Gleason was instrumental in the reorganization of the Fraternity in 1898 and 1899, and for that reason the memorial written of him by Dr. David Wenstrand, A '00, is included in this "Founders' Number" of the JOURNAL.

Dr. Edward Augustus Willis, LL.B., died of cirrhosis of the liver at the Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, on September 25, 1935, after an illness of seven and a half weeks. Dr. Willis graduated from the University of Michigan with the class of 1902 and located in Indianapolis, Indiana, where he became well known as a specialist in eye, ear, nose, and throat diseases. In 1923 he moved to New York City, where he limited his practice mainly to eye work.

Dr. Robert Benner, Z, of Tiffin, Ohio, died on January 4, 1936, after being ill for five days with scarlet fever. Dr. Benner received his A.B. at Heidelberg College and his M.D. at the University of Michigan, where he was an assistant in anatomy in 1922. He interned at the Youngstown (Ohio) City Hospital for one year, served two years at the Philadelphia General Hospital and three months at the St. Christopher Hospital for Children (Philadelphia), and then became associated with his father, Dr. W. H. Benner, in the direction of the Benner Emergency Hospital.

Earl A. Linger, I, of Oconto, Wisconsin, died in December of pneumonia. He served his internship in St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, before locating in Oconto.

Martin J. Nolan, I, died April 11, 1935, at the Mayo Clinic, following an operation for stomach ulcers. He is survived by his wife and a daughter, Mary Ann, eight years of age.

Clifford B. Losey, I, died August 11, 1935, at Long Beach, California.

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with the exception of a year (1899-1900) spent in Los Angeles, he remained continuously until 1905, when, due to a breakdown in health, he was compelled to move to southern California, where he lived for the rest of his life.

During his Chicago years, he originated the supra-dural method of injection in the treatment of spinal cord diseases and attained notable success in the treatment of locomotor ataxia through the development of a neutro-alterative solution. He was for a time instructor in clinical medicine at Northwestern University and

adjunct professor of medicine and diagnosis at the West Chicago Post-Graduate School in 1896. He was a member of the Chicago Board of Health in 1895.

He married May McCallum, September 19, 1894 and with her reared a family of four children. Fifteen years after her death in 1908, he remarried, and is survived by his widow and her child.

While the major years of his practice in California were passed in Los Angeles, he spent a number of years in Redlands, where he was active in developing the interests of his profession. Specializing in internal medicine and diagnosis, he was regarded as one of the best in his field and was frequently called upon as a consultant. Failing health in later years narrowed the scope of his activities considerably, and necessitated frequent periods of abandonment of his work. He was

truly a physician, however, and inevitably returned to the task of lessening human suffering and disease.

Throughout his professional life and especially during the latter years of it, he took great pride in his part in the founding of Phi Rho Sigma and felt that in this effort he had made a lasting contribution to the progress of medicine. The detailed record of his life would reveal more than the average number of substantial accomplishments as well as a human share of shortcomings and failures.

The art and science of medicine and the world have moved a step or two ahead because he lived, a tribute sufficient to justify the life of any man. His passing is a great loss not only to his family and close friends but to numberless others who owe their health and lives to "the skill of Dr. Forline."

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